

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) A method for controlling virtual memory translation during data movement operations enabled in a hardware environment, comprising the steps of:

monitoring, as a hardware operation, for an occurrence of a translation lookaside buffer (TLB) purge during setup and execution of a data movement operation from virtual memory, ~~said occurrence of a TLB purge indicative that a change in virtual memory to physical memory mapping has occurred;~~ and

upon detection of a TLB purge prior to completion of the data movement operation, aborting the data movement operation pending reestablishment of accurate virtual-memory-to-physical-memory mapping.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of enqueueing status information on whether the data movement operation completed or was aborted.

3. (Original) The method of claim 2, in which said status information includes identification of data that was successfully moved prior to an abort.

4. (Original) The method of claim 1, in which the data movement operation is a data copying operation.

5. (Currently Amended) A method for controlling virtual memory translation during data movement operations enabled in a hardware environment, comprising the steps of:

monitoring, as a hardware operation, for an occurrence of a translation lookaside buffer (TLB) purge during setup and execution of a data movement operation from virtual memory, ~~said occurrence of a TLB purge indicative that a change in virtual memory to physical memory mapping has occurred;~~

upon detection of a TLB purge prior to completion of the data movement operation, aborting the data movement operation pending reestablishment of accurate virtual-memory-to-physical-memory mapping; and

enqueueing status information on whether the data movement operation completed or was aborted; and

~~enqueueing status information including identification of data that was successfully moved prior to the abort.~~

6. (Currently Amended) Hardware for controlling virtual memory translation during data ~~copying~~ operations involving physical movement of data, wherein an occurrence of a translation lookaside buffer (TLB) purge during setup and execution of a data movement operation from virtual memory is indicative that a change in virtual memory to physical memory mapping has occurred, the hardware comprising:

means for setting a first flag upon initiation of a data ~~movement~~ operation;
means for periodically monitoring for translation lookaside buffer (TLB) TLB purges;
means for translating virtual address space to physical address space;
means for setting up one or more input registers on a data mover;
~~means, responsive to said means for translating and said means for setting up, for clearing the first flag and setting a second flag if a TLB purge has not been detected;~~
means, responsive to said means for translating and said means for setting up, for clearing the first flag and clearing a second flag if a TLB purge has been detected;
~~means for examining the second flag;~~
~~means for commencing physical movement of data if the second flag is set;~~
~~means for enqueueing a first operation completion status if a TLB purge is not detected before physical movement of data is complete; and~~
means for aborting the data ~~copy~~ operation and then enqueueing a second a first operation completion status if a TLB purge is detected before physical movement of data is complete.

7. (Currently Amended) The hardware of claim 6, 17, in which the second first operation completion status indicates completion of the data ~~movement~~ operation.

8. (Currently Amended) The hardware of claim 7, 6, in which the first second operation completion status identifies data that was successfully moved prior to the abort.

9. (Currently Amended) The hardware of claim 6, in which the data ~~movement~~ operation is a data ~~copying~~ operation.

10. (Currently Amended) The hardware of claim 6, 16, in which the means for clearing the first flag and setting a second flag is enabled if a TLB purge has not been detected before physical data movement is to commence.

11. (Currently Amended) The hardware of claim 6, in which the means for clearing the first flag ~~and clearing a second flag~~ is enabled if a TLB purge has been detected before physical data.

12. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein said occurrence of a TLB purge is indicative that a change in virtual-memory-to-physical-memory mapping has occurred.

13. (New) The method of claim 5, wherein said occurrence of a TLB purge is indicative that a change in virtual-memory-to-physical-memory mapping has occurred.

14. (New) The method of claim 5 further comprising:
enqueueing status information including identification of data that was successfully moved prior to the abort.

15. (New) The hardware of claim 6, wherein an occurrence of a translation lookaside buffer (TLB) purge during setup and execution of a data movement operation from virtual memory is indicative that a change in virtual-memory-to-physical-memory mapping has occurred.

16. (New) The hardware of claim 6 further comprising:
means, responsive to said means for translating and said means for setting up, for clearing the first flag and setting a second flag if a TLB purge has not been detected;
means for examining the second flag; and
means for commencing physical movement of data if the second flag is set;

17. (New) The hardware of claim 6 further comprising:
means for enqueueing a second operation completion status if a TLB purge is not detected before physical movement of data is complete